

**June 10, 2020**

**A Message from Mayor Annette Iafallo – 2020 Census, Hazardous Waste Collection Event & Storm Drains**

*Below is an update on a few topics people have been asking about:*

**COMPLETING THE 2020 CENSUS**

*The census started in early March and so far, 59% of Lackawanna residents have responded. In the coming weeks we need to work on getting our community response rate up to 100%.*

*Achieving 100% response to the census is important for helping Lackawanna receive appropriate funding for vital community services and projects including school lunch, medical and health programs, community/senior centers, and road construction/repairs, among others.*

*Visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov) for instructions on how to complete the census online, by phone or mail. The survey takes only a few minutes to complete.*

*If you're unable to access a computer from home, the Lackawanna Public Library is reopening on Monday, June 15. Please call 823-0630 in advance to verify hours and social distancing guidelines in effect.*

**HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT JUNE 27 at ECC SOUTH (BY APPOINTMENT ONLY)**

*Erie County will be holding a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event on Saturday, June 27 from 8:00am – 1:00 pm at ECC South Campus. Drop off at the site is BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.*

*This link provides information on acceptable materials for collection and how to make an*

*appointment <https://www2.erie.gov/recycling/sites/www2.erie.gov.recycling/files/uploads/hhw%20flyer%20v%208%202020%2027th.pdf>*

**STORM DRAINS**

*Erie County has informed us that storm drains in Lackawanna are clear and working properly. To help this continue, please periodically check the drainage grates at street level near your property to make sure it's free of grass, weeds, branches and other debris which may block the grate and contribute to*

*flooding during heavy rains like we recently experienced. If possible, lend a hand to elderly neighbors who may need assistance with this task.*

*Please continue to stay safe. And God bless.*

*Annette*